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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:
TATEIWA et al
Serial No.: 10/090,276
Filed: March 4, 2002
For: PROCESS...SECONDARY BATTERIES:

: Examiner: M. Andrews
: Group: 1742
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July 29, 2002

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Responsive to the Office Action of May 9, 2002, please amend
this application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claim 2 (twice amended) A system for recovering valent metals
from refuse secondary batteries comprising a separating means to
mechanically separate the refuse secondary batteries and to
separate them into a separated cathode material and a separated
anode material, a fusing means to add calcium to the separated
cathode material separated by the separating means and to fuse it
to recover the valent metals, and a means to recover valent metals
from the separated anode material obtained by the separating means.

Please add the following new claims:

--37. A system for recovering valent metals from refuse

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